

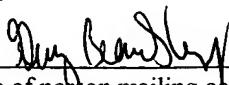


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Applicant:	Ausubel et al.	Art Unit:	1632
Serial No.:	10/042,066	Examiner:	Peter Paras Jr.
Filed:	October 18, 2001	Customer No.:	21559
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NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND
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Applicants respectfully appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated May 18, 2004, in which the Office finally rejected claims 1-11 of the above-captioned patent application.

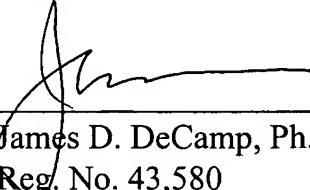
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